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SENATE BILL

No. 552

Introduced by Senator Kelley

February 19, 1999

An act to add and repeal Sections 128 and 129 of the Metropolitan Water District Act (Chapter 209 of the Statutes of 1969), relating to metropolitan water districts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 552, as amended, Kelley. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

(1) Existing law provides for the creation of metropolitan water districts and requires a metropolitan water district to exercise its powers by and through a board of directors.

This bill would require the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, on or before February 1, 2000, to submit to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature a report that describes all deficiencies noted in a prescribed audit and the actions that the district has taken, or is taking, to correct ~~all~~ *each* of those deficiencies. The bill would require the district, on or before February 1, 2000, and each February 1, until January 1, 2005, or as otherwise prescribed, to submit to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature a specified report concerning the district's Inland Feeder Project. Because these provisions would impose additional

responsibilities upon the district, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 128 is added to the Metropolitan
2 Water District Act (Chapter 209 of the Statutes of 1969),
3 to read:

4 Sec. 128. (a) Notwithstanding Section 7550.5 of the
5 Government Code, on or before February 1, 2000, the
6 Metropolitan Water District of Southern California shall
7 submit to the appropriate policy committees of the
8 Legislature a report that describes all deficiencies noted
9 in the audit conducted in the spring of 1999 on cost
10 overruns on the Eastside Reservoir Project, and the
11 actions that the district has taken, or is taking, to correct
12 ~~all~~ each of those deficiencies.

13 (b) This section shall remain in effect only until
14 January 1, 2001, and as of that date is repealed, unless a
15 later enacted statute, that is enacted, before January 1,
16 2001, deletes or extends that date.

17 SEC. 2. Section 129 is added to the Metropolitan
18 Water District Act (Chapter 209 of the Statutes of 1969),
19 to read:

20 Sec. 129. (a) For purposes of this section, the
21 “project” is the Inland Feeder Project of the
22 Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

23 (b) Notwithstanding Section 7550.5 of the
24 Government Code, on or before February 1, 2000, and
25 each February 1 thereafter until completion of the
26 project, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern
27 California shall submit to the appropriate policy

1 committees of the Legislature, a report that describes all
2 of the following:

3 (1) The progress made toward completion of the
4 project.

5 (2) All expenditures of funds made for the project.

6 (3) Any variances between budgeted costs and actual
7 costs for the project.

8 (c) This section shall remain in effect only until
9 January 1, 2005, and as of that date is repealed, unless a
10 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 2005,
11 deletes or extends that date.

12 SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act
13 pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
14 Constitution because a local agency or school district has
15 the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments
16 sufficient to pay for the program or level of service
17 mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section 17556
18 of the Government Code.

